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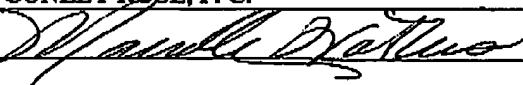
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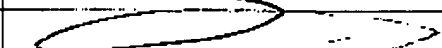
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In response to the Office Action dated April 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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